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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 FOR WEEK ENDING 03-Sep-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	CURRENT WEEK 09/03/05	PREVIOUS WEEK 08/27/05
Broiler/fryer	149,518	169,236
Light hens	1,306	1,469
Heavy hens	1,324	1,535

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 27-Aug-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	382	3	385
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	269	0	269
Same week yr ago	329	0	329
To-date/2005	8,926	40	8,966
To-date/2004	8,285	90	8,375

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,840	1,484	3,324
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,571	1,712	3,283
Same week yr ago	1,625	1,571	3,196
To-date/2005	59,984	48,597	108,581
To-date/2004	54,512	45,213	99,725

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 WEEK ENDING 27-AUGUST-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	167,447	1,458	1,481	2,939
Avg Wt	5.24	3.07	8.06	5.58
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	167,810	1,302	1,712	3,014
Same wk yr ago	164,670	1,296	1,571	2,867
Avg Wt	5.30	3.36	8.01	5.91
To-date/2005	5,484,261	51,058	48,557	99,615
To-date/2004	5,311,518	46,227	45,123	91,350

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 165.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 169.5 million head or 3.8 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 20-Aug-05

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	29,241	21,047	52,547
Avg Weight	3.75	4.79	6.22
% of total /1	28%	20%	51%
Last week	31,352	20,086	50,663
Avg Weight	3.60	4.79	6.33
% of total /1	31%	20%	50%
Same week, yr ago /2	30,730	17,452	52,672
Avg Weight	3.60	4.69	6.27
% of total /1	30%	17%	52%
To date/2005	917,888	740,356	1,611,398
To date/2004	878,236	717,696	1,491,672

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 27-AUG-05  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,953	2,723	9	8	4,693
Avg Wt	15.79	34.96	21.30	35.67	26.96
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,929	2,691	19	1	4,640
Same wk yr ago	1,878	2,750	49	14	4,691
Avg Wt	15.47	35.42	23.89	31.51	27.31
To-date/2005	59,088	87,151	791	130	147,160
To-date/2004	58,959	86,432	1,711	266	147,368

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.  
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